

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MINUTES
May 19, 2005**

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy was held at the Division of Occupations and Professions, Frankfort, KY on May 19, 2005.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelly Nash
Dale L. Lynn
Sharalee Page
Natalie Tinsley

OCCUPATIONS & PROFESSIONS STAFF

Karen Smith, Board Administrator
John Parrish, Division Director

OTHERS

James Grawe, Office of the Attorney General

ABSENT

Christianne Janes
Laura Strickland

Board Chair, Kelly Nash, called the meeting to order at 9:43 A.M.

Director's Report

John Parrish reviewed terms of the Board members with everyone and stated that he would be sending an email to the Governor's office requesting that Natalie Tinsley be reappointed and that another educator be appointed to the Board.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the April 21, 2005 meeting were presented for the Board's review. A motion was made by Dale Lynn to approve the minutes. Motion, seconded by Natalie Tinsley, carried.

Approval of Financial Statement

The Board reviewed the financial statements for July 1, 2004 through April 30, 2005. After review, Sharalee Page made a motion to accept the financial statements as presented. Motion, seconded by Dale Lynn, carried.

Licensure Status Report

A licensure status report for the month of April 2005 was provided for member information. The report showed that there were 1539 active OTs and 383 active OTAs along with 340 OTs and 20 OTAs certified to practice Deep Physical Agent Modalities.

New Business

Sharalee Page made a motion to approve Christianne Janes, Natalie Tinsley, Dale Lynn and herself attendance to the NBCOT Annual Conference to be held October 14-15, 2005 in Arlington, VA. Motion, seconded by Natalie Tinsley, carried.

Kelly Nash suggested that a presentation be made by the Board at the 2005 KOTA annual conference to be held September 30 and October 1, 2005 in Paducah, Kentucky covering various topics to be determined at next month's Board meeting.

Jim Grawe shared correspondence with the Board that he received from Paul Grace at NBCOT concerning the use of certification marks for licensees. Mr. Grawe stated that he would research this matter further and send a response letter to Mr. Grace.

The Board reviewed correspondence from Camille Skubik-Peplaski concerning the Board's position on the use of "R" in titles for registered and non-registered occupational therapists. The Board will continue to discuss this matter at the next scheduled Board meeting.

The Board reviewed information from the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy, Inc. (NBCOT) regarding policy changes pertaining to individuals who are required by state law to take the certification examination for licensure-only purposes. This was for informational purposes. The Board did not take any action on this matter.

The Board reviewed a request for approval to count two 30-minute self-study courses as one CCU to meet requirements for licensure renewal. The Board requested Karen Smith to respond to the licensed OT stating that this was acceptable.

The Board received correspondence from Connie Calvert, Executive Director with the Kentucky Board of Optometric Examiners concerning the possibility of occupational therapists practicing vision therapy. After a brief discussion, the Board determined that this matter needed to be treated as a complaint and requested Ms. Smith to assign this a complaint number and send the required documentation to both parties.

The Board received an email from a licensed OT wanting to discuss training therapy for modified driving equipment purchased from another state for a Kentucky resident. The Board was unable to respond to this because specific questions were not attached. Ms. Smith responded to the Kentucky licensee requesting more information and that the Board will review again once more information is submitted.

The Board received questions from a licensed occupational therapist sub-contracting with other occupational therapists and physical therapists. The Board agreed that they cannot advise on this matter and that the licensee will need to refer to their counsel. Jim Grawe will send a letter to this individual in response to the Board's position.

Old Business

Dale Lynn made a motion to approve and file the final draft of the Low Vision regulation. Motion, seconded by Natalie Tinsley, carried.

The Board decided to table discussion on Light Therapy until next month's Board meeting to give the Board members time to review documentation sent by Laura Strickland concerning light therapy.

Complaints

Natalie Tinsley made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss complaints. Motion, seconded by Sharalee Page, carried.

Sharalee Page made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Motion, seconded by Dale Lynn, carried.

The following actions were taken on the complaints discussed in the Executive Session:

OT-2003-01 - A settlement agreement is pending.

OT-2004-01 – Sharalee Page made a motion to approve the settlement agreement. Motion, seconded by Natalie Tinsley, carried.

OT-2005-01 – Natalie Tinsley made a motion to approve the settlement agreement. Motion, seconded by Dale Lynn, carried.

OT-2005-04 – Investigation is pending.

OT-2005-02 – Investigation is pending.

DPAM APPLICATION REVIEW

A motion was made by Dale Lynn to approve the following deep physical agent modality applications as discussed. Motion, seconded by Sharalee Page, carried.

DPAM Specialty Certification (OT) – Susan M. Boyd, Rita Brown, Marilyn Collins, and Tracy R. Sharp.

Patricia Harlan, OT/L was denied approval for a DPAM specialty certification because she still needed to complete two treatment sessions that are not superficial modalities. Once this is completed and the remaining two supervised treatment sessions are approved, the Board will review Ms. Harlan's DPAM certification application again.

DPAM Specialty Certification (OTA) – Shauna R. Poynter and Michele Warren-Wilson.

Margie Bowry, OTA/L was denied approval for a DPAM specialty certification because topics included on the Training and Instruction form were not checked. Once the form is completed and returned, the Board will review Ms. Bowry's DPAM certification application again.

DPAM Supervisor Specialty Certification – Debora K. Bowles and Joanne L. Shaw-Johnson.

APPLICATION REVIEW

A motion was made by Dale Lynn to approve the following applications as discussed. Motion, seconded by Sharalee Page, carried.

OTA TEMPORARY PERMIT

Sarah E. Bruce, Tracie L. Seelye, and Cynthia L. Williams were approved for an occupational therapy assistant temporary permit pending receipt of an official certified transcript. Once these are received in the Board office, a temporary permit will be issued to them.

OTA/L – Susan C. Dockery, Donna K. Morgan, Angela N. Stapleton, and Sherida F. Upshaw.

JoDonna C. Walker was denied approval of a license as an occupational therapy assistant because numbers 11. and 12. were not completed on her application. Once the Board receives the required information, Ms. Walker's application for full licensure will be reviewed again.

OT/L – Crystal R. Collins, Ashley L. Enser, Kimberly Hogan, Lori J. Kinney, Maibelin Lopez, Todd J. Olson, Stacey E. Sealscott, Bobbi N. Sizemore, Elissa F. Smith, Deborah K. Spaulding, and Ebony Washington.

OTA/L Reinstatement – Helen M. Long

Continuing Education Approval

A motion was made by Dale Lynn to approve requests of continuing education courses as reviewed for today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Natalie Tinsley, carried.

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

A motion was made by Dale Lynn to approve travel and per-diem for today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Sharalee Page, carried.

Adjournment

With all business completed, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

The next meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy is scheduled to be held at 9:00 a.m. June 16, 2005 at the Division of Occupations and Professions, Frankfort, KY.

Approved by the Board



Board Chair